

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 12/27/2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant did not respond to the rejection of claim 21. While the Office Action Summary indicates claim 21 is allowed, paragraph 14 of the Office action provides a clear rejection of the claim. This is an obvious discrepancy that should have been addressed in the applicant's response or by an interview with the examiner before a response was mailed. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. The disposition of claims is as follows:

- a. pending claims: 1-28
- b. withdrawn: 11 (drawn to non-elected Fig. 7)
- c. rejected: 1-4, 8-10, 12-14, 18, 20 and 21
- d. objected to: 5-7, 15-17 and 19.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Troy Chambers whose telephone number is (571) 272-6874 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., M-F. If attempts to reach the

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examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael J. Carone, can be reached at (571) 272-6873.

Troy Chambers
Primary Examiner
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